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DEPUTY SPEAKER : There is an amendment to this motion. Let it be moved. Then I will place the motion as well as the amendment before the House. The hon. Member can then say what he wants to say on the Bill.

SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I move the amendment standing in my name, namely :—

"That the Bill be referred to a Select Committee."

SRI K. V. RAMASWAMI : I second the amendment, Sir.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The motion as well as the amendment are before the House for discussion.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, unfortunately the Hon. the Leader of the House is not present here now. He definitely told me that he had no objection to dropping this Bill. There is also no mention of this Bill in the proceedings of the Business Advisory Committee meeting. I was under the impression that this Bill will not be taken up for consideration today at all. I am not objecting to the Bill on any technical basis. My view is that the Bill covers a wide range of subjects and therefore the House should be given sufficient opportunity to discuss the various provisions and implications of the Bill. Therefore I would request the Hon. Minister to accept the amendment to refer it to a Select Committee. Let the Select Committee go into the provisions of the Bill and then let the new Assembly take up consideration of the Bill as amended by the Select Committee, if the Government feel that the Bill should be taken up now. But if the Government are not very keen, I suggest that it can be dropped for the present.

* THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI : Sir, there is no point in referring it to the Select Committee. It would practically amount to shelving the thing. If hon. Members are not keen on having this Bill and feel that this need not be taken up now, I have no objection to postpone the consideration of the Bill and leave it to the new Assembly to take it up.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : I hope the House gives permission to postpone the consideration of the Bill.

The consideration of the Bill was by leave postponed.

(3) THE MADRAS PLANTATIONS AGRICULTURAL INCOME-TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1956.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Madras Plantations Agricultural Income-tax (Amendment) Bill[a], 1956, and move—

"That the Bill be taken into consideration."

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Sir, the Indian Coinage Act was amended introducing the decimal system of coinage. As an Act of Parliament introducing the decimal system of coinage would not automatically have the effect of making consequential changes in the State enactments, special amendments will have to be made to State enactments. This Bill seeks to amend the relevant provisions of the Madras Plantations Agricultural Income-tax Act, 1955, in which there is a reference to annas and pies, so as to bring them into conformity with the Indian Coinage Act notwithstanding consequential increase or decrease. When expressing the rates of tax in terms of new units, 'Naya Pysa' fractions have been avoided. The Bill is a very simple one and it may be passed.

DEPUTY SPEAKER: Motion moved—

"That the Madras Plantations Agricultural Income-tax (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be taken into consideration."

The motion is now before the House for discussion.

SRI S. RAMALINGAM: கனம் உதவி சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே! இந்த நயா பைசா நாணயத்தை நான் பார்த்ததே கிடையாது. சினிமாவில் காண்பித்திருக்கிறார்கள். இந்த மசோதாவிற்க்கு சபை அனுமதி கொடுக்கவேண்டும் என்று சொன்னால், மந்திரியவர்கள் முதலாவதாக, அதொன்றைக் கொண்டுவந்து காண்பித்தால் ஒத்துக் கொள்ளலாம். அதனால் இதையெப்படி ஆதரிக்கிறது. ஆதலால் மந்திரி அவர்கள் இந்த நயா பைசா எப்படி இருக்கும் என்று காண்பிக்கும்படி கேட்டுக்கொள்ளுகிறேன்.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: நான் கூட இன்னும் பார்க்கவில்லை. நயா பைசா இன்னும் வரவில்லை. ஒரு ரூபாய்க்கு 100 நயா பைசா. ஏறக்குறைய இப்போதிருக்கிற இரண்டு தம்படி ஒரு நயா பைசாவாகிறது. இதைத் தெரிந்து கொண்டால் புது நாணயம் வரும்போது அங்கத்தினர் ஏமாந்து போகமாட்டார். இரு தம்படி ஒரு நயா பைசா.

SRI N. RATHINA GOUNDER: On a point of information இந்த நயா பைசா சமாசாரம் நமக்கு வேண்டாம். இதற்கும் ஒரு கிளர்ச்சி வரலாமென்று நினைக்கிறேன். ஆகவே இந்த நயா பைசா சமாசாரம் நமக்கு வேண்டாம்.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: இது பெரிய வீட்டு சமாசாரம், அதாவது **Central Government** காரியம்.

DEPUTY SPEAKER: The question is—

"That the Madras Plantations Agricultural Income-tax (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be taken into consideration."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration.

Clauses 2 and 3 were put and carried.

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Clause 1 and the Preamble were put and carried.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Sir, I move—

"That the Madras Plantations Agricultural Income-tax (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be passed."

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Madras Plantations Agricultural Income-tax (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be passed."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

(4) THE MADRAS TOBACCO (TAXATION OF SALES AND REGISTRATION) AMENDMENT BILL, 1956.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Sir, I beg to introduce the Madras Tobacco (Taxation of Sales and Registration) Amendment Bill[a], 1956, and move—

"That the Bill be taken into consideration."

Sir, this Bill is a similar one. The Indian Coinage (Amendment) Act, 1955, provides for the replacement of the existing system of coinage by coins based on the decimal system. The values expressed in "pies" and "annas" in Section 4 (3) of the Madras Tobacco (Taxation of Sales and Registration) Act, 1953, have to be referred to by their nearest equivalents in naya paise so as to bring them into conformity with the Indian Coinage (Amendment) Act, 1955.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Motion moved—

"That the Madras Tobacco (Taxation of Sales and Registration) Amendment Bill, 1956, be taken into consideration."

The motion is now before the House for discussion.

SRI A. RATNAM : உதவி சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, நயா பைசா நாணயம் எப்பொழுது செல்வாணிக்கு வருகிறது. இந்த மசோதா சட்டமாகிற நேரத்திலாவது அது செல்வாணிக்கு வருமா என்று அறிய ஆவல்.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : இது வந்து 1957 எப்ரல் மாதத்திலிருந்து அமுலுக்கு வருமென்று நினைக்கிறேன். அது அமுலுக்கு வந்தாலும் பழைய நாணயங்களும் அமுலில் தான் இருக்கும். கொஞ்சம் கொஞ்சமாகத்தான் மாறும். பழைய நாணயங்களும் புதிய நாணயமும், இரண்டும் அமுலில் இருக்கும்.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Madras Tobacco (Taxation of Sales and Registration) Amendment Bill, 1956, be taken into consideration."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration.

Clause 2 was put and carried.

Clause 1 and the Preamble were put and carried.

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